

## **Interim Study Committee on Dialysis Coverage**

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### **Committee:**

Douglas Stratton, Chairman

#### House Appointees:

Rep. Fry

Rep. Herrell

Rep. Dodge

Rep. Torr

#### Senate Appointees

Sen. Becker

Sen. Landske

Sen. Lewis

Sen. Smith

### **Study Issues:**

1. Requirements, as a condition of coverage or reimbursements, for patients to obtain treatment from particular dialysis treatment providers.
2. Costs related to dialysis treatment.
3. Availability, including changes in availability since 2003, of dialysis treatment throughout Indiana.
4. Payment rates, including changes in payment rates since 2003, for dialysis treatment throughout Indiana.
5. Consideration of the items described in (1) through (4) above as affected by a dialysis treatment provider's participation in provider networks used by accident and sickness insurers and health maintenance organizations.
6. Additional issues related to coverage of dialysis treatment, as determined by the Committee.

### **Meeting Schedule:**

August 6, 2008, at 10:30 a.m. in Room 233 of the State House

August 20, 2008, at 10:30 a.m. in Room 233 of the State House

September 3, 2008, at 10:30 a.m. in Room 233 of the State House

Such further meetings as the Committee determines to be necessary.

Persons and organizations wanting to testify will designate their intentions at the time of the meeting by signing a Presentation Request List that will be available in the meeting room 15 minutes prior to the start of each meeting.

Any presentation material to be submitted to the committee needs to be designated with a heading Interim Study Committee / Dialysis / 2008 and 12 copies provided.

Presentations should be limited in time to no more than 30 minutes.

Every reasonable opportunity will be given to all interested parties to be heard on these issues. However, the Committee will implement any protocol, procedure, or process deemed necessary and appropriate to assure a fair, equitable, and orderly study.

#### Continuous Agenda for 2008 Interim:

Meetings will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. If the meeting time expires before completion of an agenda item, remaining items will be addressed in later meetings.

- I. Introduction of Committee
- II. Overview of the Study Issues
- III. Background of Dialysis Services
- IV. Testimony of Dialysis Providers
- V. Testimony of Insurers
- VI. Testimony of Patients
- VII. Testimony of Other Interested Parties
- VIII. Final Report